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### **HRC Releases Chauvin Case Verdict Statement**

The conviction of former police officer Derek Chauvin is being seen as a watershed moment for police accountability. Yet, since the verdict more Black lives around the country have been taken by police officers.

It is a reminder that the journey to dismantle racial injustices in policing and our criminal justice system requires resilience, vigilance, and unwavering commitment.

The Leon L. Williams San Diego County Human Relations Commission has formed a public safety subcommittee to engage with law enforcement so that every community can receive fair and unbiased police services. The subcommittee will discuss the diversity, accountability, policy, outreach, and culture of the Sheriff's Department. This public safety subcommittee is part of the Human Relations Commission's work of promoting a culture of positive human relations and fostering mutual respect and understanding within the County.

The work before us is clear. We must continue to reimagine policing across this county. We must continue to promote positive human relations. We must continue to rebuild trust with the San Diego community.

We realize it will take long hard work, courageous and difficult conversation, and strategic and purposeful planning. However, we embrace the challenges that brought individuals from all walks of life together as the Human Relations Commission to ensure that every resident realizes the American dream of life, liberty, and justice for all.

We extend our heartfelt prayers and sympathies to George Floyd's family and want them to know that Mr. Floyd has forever changed the nation, particularly San Diego County for the better.

**About the Commission:** The Board of Supervisors established the Leon L. Williams San Diego County Human Relations Commission in May 2020 to promote positive human relations, respect, and the integrity of every individual regardless of gender, religion, culture, ethnicity, sexual orientation, age, or citizenship status. The Commission consists of 31 members, of which [25 are currently seated](#).

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